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In re Application of:

Bernard BELLEAU et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, applicants hereby elect Group II, i.e., part of claim 37 drawn to 1,3-oxatiolanes. This election is not to be construed as acquiescence to the arguments made in the Restriction Requirement.

Favorable consideration of the above claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted.

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Dear Dr. McKenzie:

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Best regards,

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